

Table 4
Pregnancy Outcome Statistics
(Data from State and National Reporting Systems)

Source: N.C. Health Statistics Pocket Guide – 1999, Center for Health Informatics and Statistics

	United States	North Carolina	Number of States Higher
Legal Induced Abortions 1996 (thousands) ¹	1,221.6	33.6	8
Live Births 1998 (thousands) ^{2,3}	3,941.6	111.7	10
White	3,118.7	79.3	9
Black	609.9	28.2	6
Hispanic ⁴	734.7	8.1	13
Annual Percent Increase Since 1988	0.1	1.4	5
Number per 1,000 Population ²	14.6	14.8	13
Number per 1,000 Women Ages 15-44 ²	65.6	66.6	17
Percent Minority Births	20.9	29.0	8
Percent Hispanic Births ⁴	18.6	7.3	22
Percent 5 Pounds 8 Ounces or less ²	7.6	8.8	7
White	6.5	7.0	12
Black ⁵	13.0	13.9	7
Hispanic ^{4,5}	6.4	6.2	31
Percent 3 Pounds 4 Ounces or less ²	1.4	1.9	4
White	1.1	1.3	6
Black ⁵	3.1	3.7	2
Hispanic ^{4,5}	1.1	1.0	25
Percent Mothers Unmarried ²	32.8	32.8	20
White	26.3	20.8	42
Black ⁵	69.1	66.7	23
Hispanic ^{4,5}	41.6	40.7	18
Percent Late ⁶ /No Prenatal Care ²	3.9	2.9	36
White	3.3	2.0	38
Black ⁵	7.0	5.4	31
Hispanic ^{4,5}	6.3	6.6	22
Percent Prenatal Care Before Fourth Month ²	82.8	84.5	17
White	84.8	88.1	13
Black ⁵	73.3	75.2	19
Hispanic ^{4,5}	74.3	68.5	34
Percent by Cesarean Delivery ²	21.2	21.5	15
White	21.0	21.3	16
Black ⁵	22.4	22.3	22
Hispanic ^{4,5}	20.6	16.6	40
Teen Birth Rate, 1998 ⁷	51.5	61.0	11
Neonatal Deaths per 1,000 Live Births, 1998	4.8	6.4	3
Postneonatal Deaths per 1,000 Neonatal Survivors, 1998	2.4	2.9	12
Infant Deaths per 1,000 Live Births, 1998	7.2	9.3	4

¹As collected or estimated by the Centers for Disease Control. ²Includes races other than White and Black. ³White, Black, and Hispanic, where used, apply to race or Hispanic origin of the mother. ⁴Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. ⁵U.S. data excludes certain states (usually 10 or less) with a small minority population. ⁶Care beginning in 3rd trimester. ⁷Births to mothers ages 15-19 per 1,000 females ages 15-19.